

RIGHT OFF THE REEL

B. VIRGINIA TEMPLE



Mary Pickford
A CONTRACT WITH MR. BELASCO.

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I studied the books of verses and recitations Mr. Belasco had given me and prepared myself for the day of my trial. But the verses or bits of dialect made little appeal, and I felt that I could not be master of myself unless I were given free rein.

I was a trying situation. I did not want to go empty handed, yet I felt that he would get no idea of any talent from a little academic recitation.

The day arrived. Aunt Kate took me to the old Belasco Theater, which is now the Republic, and I had the strange feeling, as we were swallowed up in the gloom of the stage entrance, of a very small girl entering a large cave. I knew not whether I would find at the end of it chaos or fairland.

An empty theater is rather formidable in appearance, especially when you are to stand out alone on the stage, knowing that in the box will be a critical group of the men and women who have your destiny in the palm of their hand, either to mold or to mar.

The Ordeal.

Mr. Belasco sat in a box, and when I reached the center of the stage, they threw a spotlight on me.

"I am sorry, Mr. Belasco," I began timidly, "but I do not know any recitations. I shall have to do the second act of the last play I appeared in, 'For a Human Life.'"

Mr. Belasco smiled at me. "Very well," he encouraged.

I placed a chair in the middle of the stage and explained to them I was playing a little street gamin, the chair representing a policeman about to arrest me. My plea to the officer was that I had a dying mother whom I supported by selling papers and who depended entirely upon me.

My voice did not quaver, but I could hear the commonplace and almost melodramatic lines which rang out and jarred upon me. They did not belong in this theater and I was conscious of it, but it was the best that I could do and I put my whole heart and soul into it.

When I was through, I felt quite exhausted and my pulses beat wildly. I dreaded to look into Mr. Belasco's eyes for fear I would read in them that sentence which would be the deathknell of all my dreams and ambitions.

Dear Aunt Kate sat in the front row, and, as I turned to her, she was wiping her eyes with her handkerchief.

"You did it so beautifully, Mary," she said to me brokenly, "you just made me cry."

I smiled at her tenderly, knowing

to be produced by the company will be "Pudd'nhead Wilson." This will be followed by "Tom Sawyer."

Clara Kimball Young and company will leave for Cuba shortly to make a few pictures for World Film.

The Frohman Amusement Corporation has secured the photoplay rights to Larry Evans' novel, "Then I'll Come Back to You." Alice Brady will be the star playing the part of "Barbara Allison."

Wright Huntington, the actor-manager, will soon make his debut in motion pictures in a film called "Behind Closed Doors." In which he will share honors with Marie Empress.

Adolph Philipp, author of "The Girl Who Smiled" and "Adèle," will become a screen star, under the direction of the World Film Corporation, presenting his own and other plays.

Agnes Egan Cobb has become general manager for the Claridge Film Company.

"Better Things Than Money," Says Mary Pickford
"All I have—my future prospects, my ambition, my everything that the future may hold in store for me—all that I will gladly sacrifice to make my mother happy," said Mary Pickford. "You see, mother is my manager, my trainer; in fact, she is everything to me. I never see the money I earn, and, in fact, I seldom even see the checks. I am accustomed to being a good business woman, but when the Triangle Films made me the splendid offer of \$5,000 a week I rejected it out of sentiment, because I wanted to stay in the East, where my friends live, where I wish to live my life. There are better things in life than money—friendship of those we love, the love of our friends and, perchance, the admiration and applause of the world. My ultimate ambition is to return to the speaking stage and play some great role suitable to my ability and to play it until I am tired of it, and then bid farewell to public life. No, I will never play it."

Bennet Southard has been engaged by the Mirror Film, Inc., to play roles in several big features for that company.

The Essanay Film Company wishes to make it known that some of the costumes worn in the "The Girl Who Smiled" production of its comedy "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," by Clyde Jinks, are to appear.

Announcement has been made by the Laasy Company that the first of a series of picturizations of Mark Twain's works

MUSKRAT LATEST PALATE TICKLER

New Article of Food Offered at the Market On the Wharf.

FEW MARKET CHANGES

Carrots and Beets from Florida Received—Beans Are Cheaper.

Ever eat muskrat? New Yorkers tried horse flesh the other day and liked it. As yet, the muskrat has not been officially handled by Washington butchers, but the District may at least claim one thing to which Gotham has not been introduced, and that is the muskrat.

Watermen from down the Potomac have placed muskrats in wharf markets. The demand is well, the watermen hope Washingtonians will follow suit with Baltimore, where the animal is said to be a favorite dish.

They describe its flesh as sweeter than that of spring chicken, although it is not objectionable as such. And, as for cleanliness, the muskrat is as particular in scrubbing its food as any housewife, say biologists. Besides, it is not so much a rat as a beaver, though both may be of the same family. The animal lives upon plants, being particularly fond of celery.

The muskrat has not been placed on the commodity list of the majority of dealers, and its advent has worked no change in prices. Such changes were few during the week. The quotations on produce were altered somewhat. A large supply of strawberries cut the price from 80 cents a quart to 50 cents, and string beans are cheaper. The old price was 20 cents a quart, now 10 cents. Carrots, selling at three bunches for 25 cents, and new beets at 15 cents a bunch, both from Florida, were received this week for the first time during the winter. Hothouse rhubarb is a new commodity, selling at three bunches for 25 cents.

Prices of Foodstuffs.
Prices yesterday were:
EGGS.
Hennery, doz., 60¢. Galliard, doz., 40.
Southern, doz., 35. BUTTER.
Best creamery, lb., 60¢. Medium, lb., 30.
Renovated, lb., 25. Oils, lb., 15¢.

POULTRY.
Chickens, lb., 22. Roosters, lb., 15.
Turkeys, lb., 25. Ducks, lb., 20.
Geese, lb., 20. VEGETABLES.
Potatoes, 14-pk., 15. Lettuce, head, 10¢.
Radishes, bunch, 5. Onions, bunch, 2 for 5.
Celery, bunch, 15. Turnips, 14-pk., 10.
Cucumbers, 5¢. Tomatoes, lb., 10.
String beans, qt., 10. Beets, bunch, 15.
Spinach, 4-pk., 15. Carrots, bunch, 3 for 25.
Sweet potatoes, 4-pk., 15. Rhubarb, bunch, 3 for 25.

FRUITS.
Bananas, doz., 15¢. Grapefruit, 5¢.
Apples, 14-pk., 15. Lemons, doz., 15¢.
Alligator pears, each, 40. Pineapples, each, 25¢.
Grapes, lb., 15. Oranges, doz., 15¢.
Strawberries, qt., 30.

MEATS.
Roast beef, lb., 25¢. Ham, lb., 15¢.
Beef, lb., 20¢. Pork, lb., 15¢.
Corned beef, in can, 10¢.
Chops, lb., 20¢. Beef liver, lb., 15¢.
Lamb, lb., 20¢. Bacon, piece, 10¢.
Sausage, lb., 15¢. Sliced ham, lb., 15¢.
Ground beef, in can, 10¢.
Lamb, lb., 20¢. Mutton, stewing, per lb., 15¢.
Mixed cattle, in can, 10¢.
Lamb, lb., 20¢. Roast pork, lb., 15¢.
Mixed cattle in can, 10¢. Corned beef, lb., 15¢.
Pork shoulder, lb., 14¢.

FISH.
Sea bass, lb., 15. Butterfish, lb., 15¢.
Cod, lb., 15. Salt fish, qt., 10.
Salmon, lb., 15. Halibut, lb., 20.
Trout, lb., 15. Crabs, qt., 30¢.
White perch, lb., 10. Flounders, lb., 15.
Spanish mackerel, lb., 10. Tulefish, lb., 15.
Clams, qt., 30. White bait, 20.
Bluefish, lb., 25¢. Shad, 15¢.

Hazel Dawn's Famous Smile.
When Mother Nature endowed beautiful Hazel Dawn with a head of golden hair, she also breathed her lovely face with the infectious smile of the rising sun.

At the age of eight the Famous Players' star beamed her way into the heart of a crusty old sea captain who, sailing for Europe, where she remained for several years studying violin and cultivating her voice in London, Paris and Munich. Then, when she returned to the Pink Lady, in which she smiled her way into everlasting popularity both in this country and abroad. Then, abandoning her voice and violin, Miss Dawn smiled in the photoplay "One of Our Girls," for the celluloid replica of that winsome smile was distributed to the far corners of the earth.

This popular favorite will next appear in another Famous Players Paramount production, "My Lady Ineb," which was written especially for her. Her delightful performance in "Niobe," "The Masqueraders," "Claremont" and other photoplay successes, assure another big achievement for Miss Dawn.

CAN'T FIND DANDRUFF
Every bit of dandruff disappears after one or two applications of Danderine rubbed well into the scalp with the finger tips. Just get a 2-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store and apply to your hair. After a few applications you can't find a particle of dandruff or any falling hair, and the scalp will never itch.

CHILD GETS SICK
CROSS, FEVERISH
IF CONSTIPATED
A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children who do not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restlessness, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a responsible of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation, stomach sour, bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of California Syrup of Figs, which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company"—Adv.

Not Yet!
Well, Maude Adams and Charles W. Eliot, president-emeritus of Harvard University, have not yet appeared in the movies, anyhow—American Magazine.

Brady Approves "Movies."
Good plays, well presented, do not fall today any more often than before the

New Strength for Lame Backs and Worn-out Conditions.

Dear Mr. Editor:
I suffered from lame back and a tired, worn-out feeling. Was unable to stand erect; and scarcely able to get around. It would usually come on at first with crick in small of my back. I took one box of Dr. Pierce's An-uric Tablets and my back commenced to get better soon after starting to take them. I did not have to walk doubled over as I did before using the "An-uric." It is the best remedy I have ever taken for what it is intended to relieve. I hope those who are in need of such a remedy will give these Tablets of Dr. Pierce's a trial.
Yours, truly,
A. G. DRAKE.

Note—When your kidneys get sluggish and clog, you suffer from backache, sick headache, dizzy spells, or twinges and pains of lumbago, rheumatism and gout. The urine is often cloudy, full of sediment; channels often

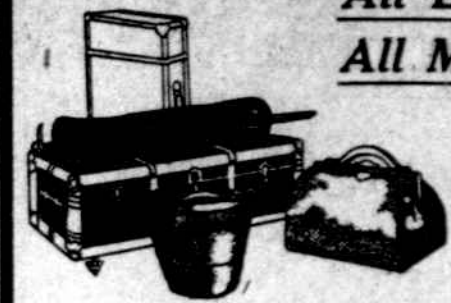
get sore and sleep is disturbed two or three times a night. This is the time you should consult some physician of wide experience—such as Dr. Pierce, of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. Send him 10 cents for large trial package of his new discovery—"An-uric." Write him your symptoms and send a sample of urine for test. Experience has taught Dr. Pierce that "An-uric" is the most powerful agent in dissolving uric acid, as hot water melts sugar. Being so many times more active than lithia, it clears the heart valves of any sandy substances which may clog them and checks the degeneration of the blood-vessels, as well as regulating blood pressure. "An-uric" is a regular insurance and life-saver for all big meat eaters and those who deposit lime-salts in their joints. Ask the druggist for "An-uric" put up by Dr. Pierce, in 50-cent packages.—Adv.

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